

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 LONDON 02947 262223Z

20

ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 NEA-09 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-03 H-01

INR-07 L-02 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15

USIA-06 AID-05 SAM-01 OMB-01 /072 W

----- 065845

R 261750Z FEB 75

FM AMEMBASSY LONDON

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8668

INFO AMEMBASSY COLOMBO

AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

AMCONSUL KARACHI

C O N F I D E N T I A L LONDON 02947

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: EAID, PFOR, MV, UK

SUBJECT: BRITISH PLAN FOR GAN ISLAND AND ASSISTANCE TO
MALDIVES

REF: LONDON 1110 AND 1165

1. FCO'S CHALMERS TELLS US THAT MOD HAS DECIDED AT OFFICIAL LEVEL TO BEGIN ITS MILITARY RUNDOWN ON GAN ISLAND THIS DECEMBER OR JANUARY 1976. RECOMMENDATION WILL BE PUT TO HMG MINISTERS.

2. BRITISH AMBASSADOR SMEDLEY WILL PROBABLY GO TO MALDIVES AFTER THAT COUNTRY'S MARCH ELECTION, CHALMERS TELLS US, TO INFORM MALDIVES GOVERNMENT OF ABOVE DECISION AND SET UP BRITISH TEAM VISIT PROBABLY IN MAY TO INQUIRE INTO POSSIBLE AID PROJECTS. BRITISH VISUALIZE AID TAKING ANYTHING FROM 2 TO 5 MILLION POUNDS STERLING IF PROJECTS ARE FOUND. THEY WILL ALSO EXPLORE MULTILATERAL ASPECTS OF ASSISTANCE TO MALDIVES, HELP MALDIVES APPLY TO ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK WHICH HAS SHOWN SOME INTEREST.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 LONDON 02947 262223Z

3. COMMENT: FCO CONTINUES TO GIVE US HIGHER ESTIMATES

OF PROBABLE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO MALDIVES THAN WE GET
FROM ODM SOURCES. WE SUPPOSE THIS WILL BE THRASHED OUT
WHEN SPECIFIC PROJECTS ARE EXAMINED.

SPIERS

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, MILITARY BASES, GAN ISLAND
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 26 FEB 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: greeneet
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975LONDON02947
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: X1
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750068-0998
From: LONDON
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750211/aaaaajtq.tel
Line Count: 66
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 75 LONDON 1110, 75 AND 1165
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: greeneet
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 30 JUN 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <30 JUN 2003 by BoyleJA>; APPROVED <05 NOV 2003 by greeneet>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
05 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: BRITISH PLAN FOR GAN ISLAND AND ASSISTANCE TO MALDIVES
TAGS: EAID, PFOR, MV, UK
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006